

IC 31-37-13

Chapter 13. Factfinding Hearing

IC 31-37-13-1

Hearing requirement

Sec. 1. Unless the allegations of a petition have been admitted, the juvenile court shall hold a factfinding hearing.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.20.

IC 31-37-13-2

Judgment; order for predisposition report; scheduling of dispositional hearing

Sec. 2. If the court finds that a child is a delinquent child, the court shall do the following:

- (1) Enter judgment accordingly.
- (2) Order a predisposition report.
- (3) Schedule a dispositional hearing.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.20.

IC 31-37-13-3

Discharge of child

Sec. 3. If the court finds that a child is not a delinquent child, the court shall discharge the child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.20.

IC 31-37-13-4

Judgment entry; continuance; release from juvenile detention facility pending entry of judgment

Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), at the close of all the evidence and before judgment is entered, the court may continue the case for not more than twelve (12) months.

(b) If the child or the child's parent, guardian, or custodian requests that judgment be entered, the judgment shall be entered not later than thirty (30) days after the request is made.

(c) If the child is in a juvenile detention facility, the child shall be released not later than forty-eight (48) hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, pending the entry of judgment. A child released from a juvenile detention facility pending the entry of judgment may be detained in a shelter care facility.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.20. Amended by P.L.35-1998, SEC.26.

IC 31-37-13-5

Findings required where delinquent act would be felony if committed by adult

Sec. 5. If a finding of delinquency is based on a delinquent act that would be a felony if committed by an adult, the juvenile court shall state in the findings the following:

- (1) The specific statute that was violated.
- (2) The class of the felony had the violation been committed by an adult.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.20.